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- 1. WHEN DEPARTMENT OFFICER CALLED OFFICES OF INTERESTED CONGRESSMEN SEPTEMBER 9 TO ADVISE OF FAVORABLE OUTCOME IN PODRIACHIK CASE, WE LEARNED SOVIET EMBASSY HAD ALREADY INFORMED SEVERAL CONGRESSMEN. SENATOR STEVENSON'S OFFICE REPORTED THAT IN SUBSEQUENT CALL ON SENATOR'S OFFICE SEPTEMBER 9, SOVIET COUNSELOR ISAKOV SAID THERE HAD BEEN QUOTE LEGAL PROBLEMS UNQUOTE IN CASE, BUT THAT EXIT PERMISSION HAD BEEN GRANTED TO QUOTE SHOW GOODWILL UNQUOTE. ISAKOV ACKNOWLEDGED SOVIET GRANTING OF EXIT PERMISSION WAS IN RESPONSE TO STRONG EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST BY CONGRESSMEN (INTER ALIA JAVITS, STEVENSON, ABZUG, BIAGGI).
- 2. COMMENT: SOVIETS' GRANTING OF VISA AND SUBSEQUENT FOLLOW-UP WITH CONGRESSMEN, SHOWS UNUSUAL CONCERN FOR THEIR IMAGE HERE. RECENT RESOLUTION OR POSITIVE MOVEMENT ON SEVERAL HIGH-INTEREST REP LIST CASES, AS WELL AS CAREFUL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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